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Cc: Nelson, Jeff; Bateman, Andrew; PSC\_Contact

Subject: RE: [External] RE: 2014-346-WS- Follow Up on Request from Attorney Pringle to All

**Parties** 

Thank you for your prompt response. With this response from DIUS, it appears that all active participating parties who have made recent filings and/or responded to the recent Chief Standing Hearing Officer directives or emails have responded affirmatively and stated that they and their witnesses are able to appear tomorrow at Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. and willing for the Settlement Hearing to move to said date.

If this not accurate or any party finds this Hearing Date and Time change objectionable, please advise immediately. A Standing Hearing Officer Directive shall be issued to change the Settlement Hearing Date and Time to Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

Your responses are appreciated. With kind regards, I am

Jo Anne Wessinger Hill
General Counsel
Public Service Commission of South Carolina

Cc: All DMS Listed Parties of Record

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Good afternoon.

DIUC is available to proceed at 11am tomorrow, Thursday (2/25/21).

Thank you.

Tom

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## Dear Parties of Record:

Please see the attached email in response to the email received from attorney Pringle. Inadvertently, I did not realize when responding to attorney Pringle's email that it may not have included all active parties of record. Thus, in accordance with SC law and Commission policy on *ex parte* communications, potential or possible, I am providing a copy to all emails or correspondence whether a party may or may not be interested or part of the underlying Settlement Agreement, submitted any supporting verified Settlement Testimony on 2/18/2021 and 2/19/2021, or related settlement filings, but because you are counsel of record listed on the DMS and to avoid any inadvertent *ex parte* communication.

Due to the Commission's schedule and ongoing hearing in another docket and attorney Pringle's request for consideration of this matter on Thursday (2/25/21) rather than on Friday (2/26/21) as currently scheduled, it is possible for the Commission to move this Settlement Hearing to 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 25, 2021, and the Commission would be inclined to so move this Settlement Hearing provided the parties are available.

Please advise if counsel who is planning to participate in the Settlement Hearing and related Settlement Hearing witnesses can advise as soon as possible but no

later than 3:30 p.m. today as to whether or not they can be present tomorrow (Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup>) at 11:00 am which would be following the Commission hearing in Docket No. 2020-268-T and prior to the Commission's hearing in Docket No. 2020-269-T. Moving this Settlement Hearing to Thursday at 11:00 a.m. will not interfere with the ongoing proceeding in Docket No. 2020-229-E before the Commission at this time.

Those who have submitted Settlement Testimony are (1) Company Daufuskie Island Utiltiy Company, Inc. (Attorney: Thomas P. Gressette, Jr. and Witness: John F. Guastella) and (2) ORS (attorney: Andrew Batemen and witness: Dawn Hipp).

The parties, Haig Point Club and Community Association, Inc. ("HPCCA"); Melrose Property Owner's Association, Inc. ("MPOA"); and Bloody Point Property Owner's Association ("BPPOA") did not file any Settlement Testimony and their counsel, attorney Pringle, made a request to move the Settlement Hearing.

Thank you for your consideration and attention to this matter.

With kind regards, I am

## FOLLOW UP EMAIL TO ATTONEY PRINGLE AND ALL PARTIES TO HIS EMAIL

From: Wessinger-Hill, JoAnne < JoAnne. Hill@psc.sc.gov>

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Subject: Re: [External] RE: 2014-346-WS- Expedited Consideration?

**Dear Parties:** 

In follow up to attorney Pringle's request, does anyone have any issue with the Commission moving the Settlement Hearing to 11:00 am on Thursday (February 25, 2021)?

Thank you.

Jo Anne Wessinger Hill

EMAIL FROM ATTORNEY PRINGLE TO MOVE SETTLEMENT HEARING ON BEHALF OF Haig Point Club and Community Association, Inc. ("HPCCA"); Melrose Property Owner's Association, Inc. ("MPOA"); and Bloody Point Property Owner's Association ("BPPOA")

From: Thomas P. Gressette, Jr. < Gressette@WGFLLAW.com>

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Subject: [External] RE: 2014-346-WS- Expedited Consideration?

Good morning.

DIUC is fine proceeding without a settlement hearing, particularly if that is more expedient and efficient for the Commission.

Tom



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(<u>abateman@ors.sc.gov</u>) <<u>abateman@ors.sc.gov</u>> **Subject:** 2014-346-WS- Expedited Consideration?

Importance: High

Joanne and Jocelyn- sorry for the last minute on this, (and I have not talked to ORS about this), but I see that there is a Settlement Hearing in the above scheduled for Friday morning.

Would it make sense to see if the Commission could consider same via expedited review in a special meeting that could take place just before the scheduled Commission Hearing tomorrow? I believe that the Settlement Testimony filed along with the Agreement is verified, meaning that at least as an evidentiary matter expedited review is an option.

I realize that may be a big logistical challenge, given that notice of the Special Meeting would need to go out in the next two hours, and of course the Commission may want to hear from the parties/witnesses on the resolution.

But I thought I would check, just because of when the hearing is currently scheduled ....

Jack P.

P.S.- I agree to take full responsibility the  $11^{th}$  hour nature of this communication, and please direct all your ire/anger/frustration, etc. directly to me.



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